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REMARKS

1. Six hundred to seven hundred soldiers carrying light baggage, were marched from the barracks on Marstallstrasse in the direction of Ludwigslust (M 54/T 53) on 30 June 1950. The troops, wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets, had no arms. The individual detachments were led by officers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and tank insignia. Allegedly, some soldiers were recognized who previously underwent drivers' training at the post but they formerly wore red-bordered black epaulets. * An instructor of the drivers' school, who supplied gasoline, said that in the future he could not deliver gas since the allotment to the drivers' school had been reduced by 50 percent. He also said that the present driving students would soon be replaced by new students. **

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2. The Alte and Neue Reiter Kasernes were occupied by about 250 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. All of the windows were not illuminated at night.



Trucks which were parked in front of the laundry were loaded with 1,250 bedsheets and 390 items of underwear belonging to soldiers in Ludwigslust who were presently in Camp Wittstock. ***

- * Comment: Possibly recruits moved to the Wittstock training grounds, or discharged soldiers.
- ** Comment. Similar measures were taken in Thuringia, Strausberg and Potsdam.
- *** Comment. This confirms the shipment of units of the 18th Mecz Div presently stationed in Ludwigslust, to the Wittstock training grounds.

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